

ABORIGINAL CARERS

Growing up Aboriginal Children

Finding stable, loving homes that are culturally-connected
for Aboriginal children in care

GRANTS ROUND 2

Grants Available for Aboriginal
Controlled Organisations



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Grant funding is now available for Aboriginal Controlled Organisations to help find, assess and support Aboriginal Carers for Aboriginal Children in Care.

The Northern Territory Government wants children to stay safely at home with their families and communities but sometimes this is not possible. When Aboriginal children need to be removed from their parents to keep them safe, Aboriginal Carers (including grandparents, aunties or uncles, or other community members) play a very important role in looking after them.

Aboriginal children who cannot live safely at home should be cared for by their extended families or community members wherever possible, so they remain connected to their culture, kin and country.

What's happened so far?

In late 2018, Phase 1 – Aboriginal Carers Growing Up Aboriginal Children resulted in two organisations receiving pilot funding to provide these services:

- Ngurratjuta Pmana/Ntjarra - \$150 000 for 9 months in the Central Western Desert Region
- Larrakia Nation - \$150 000 for 9 months in Darwin.

Tangentyere Council was also funded to develop the Children Safe, Family Together model to support delivery of Aboriginal Carer support services across the NT. This model provides further information about the services we are asking ACCOs to deliver.

Who can apply?

We want **Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations** to lead the important work to find, prepare and support Aboriginal Carers to look after Aboriginal children. Funding is only available to ACCOs. Non-Aboriginal organisations may partner or provide support, but the primary applicant must be an ACCO.

What can you apply for?

In 2019/20, \$350 000 additional funding is available for organisations to provide Aboriginal Carer Services.

Organisations can apply for any amount up to \$350 000. Their application should identify what services they will provide to which communities. The service types are:

- Stage 1: Finding and Engaging Carers
- Stage 2: Support Carer Assessment
- Stage 3: Placement Setup
- Stage 4: Supporting Carers

When do I apply?

Applications are open from June 29 2019 and close on **20 September 2019 at 5pm.**



Where do you apply?

Please go to the Aboriginal Carers Growing Up Aboriginal Children (www.sdfsd.com) website for more information or contact the Transforming Care OOHC on 08 8999 2243 or TF.OOHCReformProject@nt.gov.au

We are also holding information sessions in regional centres to discuss the model, answer questions and share opportunities for your organisation and the Aboriginal led sector to grow to support Aboriginal children to grow up safe, strong and connected. The sessions are being held at:

- Alice Springs
- Darwin
- Nhullunbuy
- Katherine
- Tennant Creek

Can our organisation get help to apply?

Yes. There are a number of grants and supporting offered by the Northern Territory Government to assist Aboriginal Organisations to grow.

ABORIGINAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (ABDP)

The Aboriginal Business Development Program (ABDP) assists Aboriginal people to start or expand their business with grants between \$1,000 and \$30,000.

Grant recipients also get one-on-one support from a small business champion.

SMALL BUSINESS CHAMPIONS

If you are a Northern Territory (NT) business, Aboriginal enterprise or not-for-profit, you can get help from a small business champion.

A small business champion can help you identify the types of support your business can access. You can also get support with networking, contacts, information, tools and resources.

For more information about Small Business Champions and the ABDP, please head to <https://nt.gov.au/industry/start-run-and-grow-a-business/grow-your-business/business-grants-and-funding>

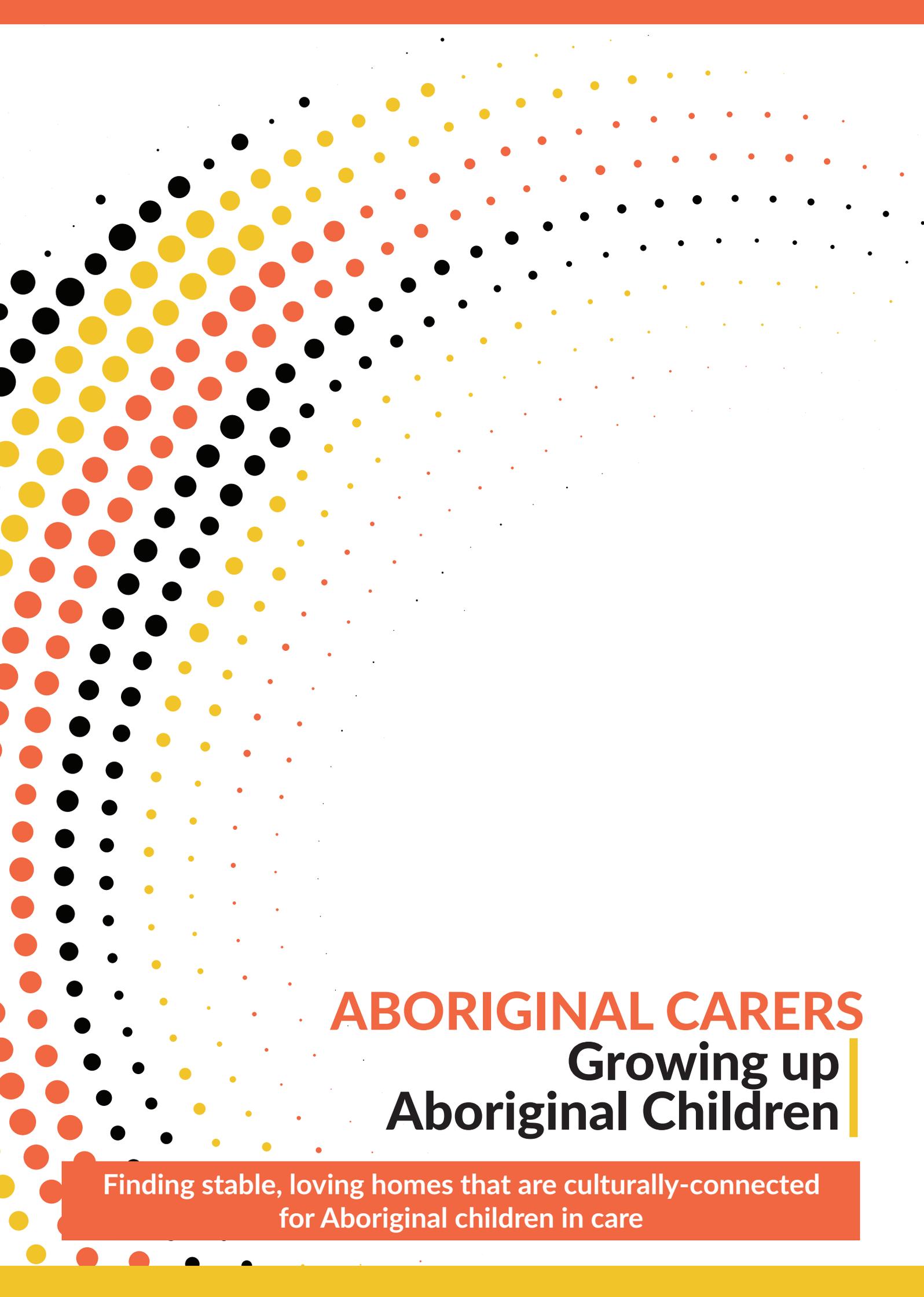
REMOTE ABORIGINAL GOVERNANCE AND CAPACITY BUILDING GRANT PROGRAM 2019

If you are a remote organisation you can access The Remote Aboriginal Governance and Capacity Building Grant Program.

It is available to support remote communities across the NT to strengthen their capacity and capabilities to actively participate in community-led initiatives and programs that supports their journey towards Local Decision Making.

If you'd like more information, please head to the Office of Aboriginal Affairs website at <https://dcm.nt.gov.au/supporting-government/office-of-aboriginal-affairs>.





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